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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:  
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***AN ACT PROTECTING SCHOOL CHILDREN.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 17a-101 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2015*):

4 (c) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall develop an  
5 educational training program and refresher training program for the  
6 accurate and prompt identification and reporting of child abuse and  
7 neglect. Such training program and refresher training program shall be  
8 made available to all persons mandated to report child abuse and  
9 neglect at various times and locations throughout the state as  
10 determined by the Commissioner of Children and Families. Such  
11 training program and refresher program shall be provided to [all new]  
12 each school [employees] employee, as defined in section 53a-65, within  
13 available appropriations, and conducted in-person by the Department  
14 of Children and Families at a location under the jurisdiction of the  
15 local or regional board of education that employs such employee.

16 Sec. 2. Section 17a-101a of the general statutes is repealed and the

17 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

18 (a) (1) Any mandated reporter, as [defined] described in section 17a-  
19 101, as amended by this act, who in the ordinary course of such  
20 person's employment or profession has reasonable [cause to suspect or  
21 believe] suspicion that any child under the age of eighteen years [(1)]  
22 (A) has been abused or neglected, as defined in section 46b-120, [(2)]  
23 (B) has had nonaccidental physical injury, or injury which is at  
24 variance with the history given of such injury, inflicted upon such  
25 child, or [(3)] (C) is placed at imminent risk of serious harm, or (2) any  
26 school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, who in the ordinary  
27 course of such person's employment or profession has reasonable  
28 suspicion that any person who is eighteen years of age or older and is  
29 being educated by a local or regional board of education, other than as  
30 part of an adult education program, is a victim under the provisions of  
31 subdivision (8) of subsection (a) of section 53a-71, shall report or cause  
32 a report to be made in accordance with the provisions of sections 17a-  
33 101b to 17a-101d, inclusive, as amended by this act.

34 (b) (1) Any person required to report under the provisions of this  
35 section who fails to make such report or fails to make such report  
36 within the time period prescribed in sections 17a-101b to 17a-101d,  
37 inclusive, as amended by this act, and section 17a-103 shall be guilty of  
38 a class [A misdemeanor and] E felony.

39 (2) Any person who, acting alone or in conspiracy with another, for  
40 the purpose of intentionally and unreasonably interfering with or  
41 preventing the making of a report pursuant to this section, shall be  
42 guilty of a class D felony.

43 (3) Any person guilty under the provisions of this subsection, shall  
44 be required to participate in an educational and training program. The  
45 program may be provided by one or more private organizations  
46 approved by the commissioner, provided the entire cost of the  
47 program shall be paid from fees charged to the participants, the  
48 amount of which shall be subject to the approval of the commissioner.

49 (c) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the  
50 commissioner's designee, shall promptly notify the Chief State's  
51 Attorney when there is reason to believe that any such person has  
52 failed to make a report in accordance with this section.

53 Sec. 3. Section 17a-101b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
54 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

55 (a) An oral report shall be made by a mandated reporter as soon as  
56 practicable but not later than twelve hours after the mandated reporter  
57 has reasonable [cause to suspect or believe] suspicion that a child has  
58 been abused or neglected or placed in imminent risk of serious harm,  
59 by telephone or in person to the Commissioner of Children and  
60 Families or a law enforcement agency. If a law enforcement agency  
61 receives an oral report, it shall immediately notify the Commissioner  
62 of Children and Families.

63 (b) If the commissioner or the commissioner's designee suspects or  
64 knows that such person has knowingly made a false report, the  
65 identity of such person shall be disclosed to the appropriate law  
66 enforcement agency and to the perpetrator of the alleged abuse.

67 (c) If the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the  
68 commissioner's designee, receives a report alleging sexual abuse or  
69 serious physical abuse, including, but not limited to, a report that: (1)  
70 A child has died; (2) a child has been sexually assaulted; (3) a child has  
71 suffered brain damage or loss or serious impairment of a bodily  
72 function or organ; (4) a child has been sexually exploited; or (5) a child  
73 has suffered serious nonaccidental physical injury, the commissioner  
74 shall, within twelve hours of receipt of such report, notify the  
75 appropriate law enforcement agency.

76 (d) Whenever a mandated reporter, as defined in section 17a-101, as  
77 amended by this act, has reasonable [cause to suspect or believe]  
78 suspicion that any child has been abused or neglected by a member of  
79 the staff of a public or private institution or facility that provides care

80 for such child or a public or private school, the mandated reporter  
81 shall report as required in subsection (a) of this section. The  
82 Commissioner of Children and Families or the commissioner's  
83 designee shall notify the principal, headmaster, executive director or  
84 other person in charge of such institution, facility or school, or the  
85 person's designee, unless such person is the alleged perpetrator of the  
86 abuse or neglect of such child. In the case of a public school, the  
87 commissioner shall also notify the person's employing superintendent.  
88 Such person in charge, or such person's designee, shall then  
89 immediately notify the child's parent or other person responsible for  
90 the child's care that a report has been made.

91 (e) For purposes of this section, "child" includes any victim  
92 described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, as  
93 amended by this act.

94 Sec. 4. Section 17a-101d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
95 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

96 All oral and written reports required in sections 17a-101a to 17a-  
97 101c, inclusive, as amended by this act, and section 17a-103, shall  
98 contain, if known: (1) The names and addresses of the child and his or  
99 her parents or other person responsible for his or her care; (2) the age  
100 of the child; (3) the gender of the child; (4) the nature and extent of the  
101 child's injury or injuries, maltreatment or neglect; (5) the approximate  
102 date and time the injury or injuries, maltreatment or neglect occurred;  
103 (6) information concerning any previous injury or injuries to, or  
104 maltreatment or neglect of, the child or his or her siblings; (7) the  
105 circumstances in which the injury or injuries, maltreatment or neglect  
106 came to be known to the reporter; (8) the name of the person or  
107 persons suspected to be responsible for causing such injury or injuries,  
108 maltreatment or neglect; (9) the reasons such person or persons are  
109 suspected of causing such injury or injuries, maltreatment or neglect;  
110 (10) any information concerning any prior cases in which such person  
111 or persons have been suspected of causing an injury, maltreatment or

112 neglect of a child; and (11) whatever action, if any, was taken to treat,  
113 provide shelter or otherwise assist the child. For purposes of this  
114 section, "child" includes any victim described in subdivision (2) of  
115 subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, as amended by this act.

116 Sec. 5. Section 17a-101h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
117 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

118 Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any person  
119 authorized to conduct an investigation of abuse or neglect shall  
120 coordinate investigatory activities in order to minimize the number of  
121 interviews of any child and share information with other persons  
122 authorized to conduct an investigation of child abuse or neglect, as  
123 appropriate. A person reporting child abuse or neglect shall provide  
124 any person authorized to conduct an investigation of child abuse or  
125 neglect with all information related to the investigation that is in the  
126 possession or control of the person reporting child abuse or neglect,  
127 except as expressly prohibited by state or federal law. The  
128 commissioner shall obtain the consent of parents or guardians or other  
129 persons responsible for the care of the child to any interview with a  
130 child, except that such consent shall not be required when the  
131 department has reason to believe such parent or guardian or other  
132 person responsible for the care of the child or member of the child's  
133 household is the perpetrator of the alleged abuse or that seeking such  
134 consent would place the child at imminent risk of physical harm. If  
135 consent is not required to conduct the interview, such interview shall  
136 be conducted in the presence of a disinterested adult unless immediate  
137 access to the child is necessary to protect the child from imminent risk  
138 of physical harm and a disinterested adult is not available after  
139 reasonable search. For purposes of this section, "child" includes any  
140 victim described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-  
141 101a, as amended by this act.

142 Sec. 6. Section 17a-101i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
143 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

144 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, not later  
145 than five working days after an investigation of a report that a child  
146 has been abused or neglected by a school employee, as defined in  
147 section 53a-65, has been completed, the Commissioner of Children and  
148 Families shall notify the employing superintendent and the  
149 Commissioner of Education of the results of such investigation and  
150 shall provide records, whether or not created by the department,  
151 concerning such investigation to the superintendent and the  
152 Commissioner of Education. The Commissioner of Children and  
153 Families shall provide such notice whether or not the child was a  
154 student in the employing school or school district. If (1) the  
155 Commissioner of Children and Families, based upon the results of the  
156 investigation, has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been  
157 abused or neglected by such employee, and (2) the commissioner  
158 recommends such school employee be placed on the child abuse and  
159 neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k, the  
160 superintendent shall suspend such school employee. Such suspension  
161 shall be with pay and shall not result in the diminution or termination  
162 of benefits to such employee. Not later than seventy-two hours after  
163 such suspension the superintendent shall notify the local or regional  
164 board of education and the Commissioner of Education, or the  
165 commissioner's representative, of the reasons for and conditions of the  
166 suspension. The superintendent shall disclose such records to the  
167 Commissioner of Education and the local or regional board of  
168 education or its attorney for purposes of review of employment status  
169 or the status of such employee's certificate, permit or authorization.  
170 The suspension of a school employee employed in a position requiring  
171 a certificate shall remain in effect until the board of education acts  
172 pursuant to the provisions of section 10-151. If the contract of  
173 employment of such certified school employee is terminated, or such  
174 certified school employee resigns such employment, the  
175 superintendent shall notify the Commissioner of Education, or the  
176 commissioner's representative, within seventy-two hours after such  
177 termination or resignation. Upon receipt of such notice from the

178 superintendent, the Commissioner of Education may commence  
179 certification revocation proceedings pursuant to the provisions of  
180 subsection (i) of section 10-145b, as amended by this act.  
181 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 1-210 and 1-211,  
182 information received by the Commissioner of Education, or the  
183 commissioner's representative, pursuant to this section shall be  
184 confidential subject to regulations adopted by the State Board of  
185 Education under section 10-145g. No local or regional board of  
186 education may reemploy a person who resigned or is terminated  
187 following a suspension pursuant to the provisions of this subsection.

188 (b) Not later than five working days after an investigation of a  
189 report that a child has been abused or neglected by a staff member of a  
190 public or private institution or facility that provides care for children  
191 or a private school has been completed, the Commissioner of Children  
192 and Families shall notify such staff member's employer at such  
193 institution, facility or school, or such employer's designee, of the  
194 results of the investigation. If (1) the Commissioner of Children and  
195 Families, based upon the results of the investigation, has reasonable  
196 cause to believe that a child has been abused or neglected by such staff  
197 member, and (2) the commissioner recommends that such staff  
198 member be placed on the child abuse and neglect registry established  
199 pursuant to section 17a-101k, such institution, facility or school shall  
200 suspend such staff person. Such suspension shall be with pay and shall  
201 not result in diminution or termination of benefits to such staff person.  
202 Such suspension shall remain in effect until the incident of abuse or  
203 neglect has been satisfactorily resolved by the employer of the staff  
204 person or until an appeal, conducted in accordance with section 17a-  
205 101k, has resulted in a finding that such staff person is not responsible  
206 for the abuse or neglect or does not pose a risk to the health, safety or  
207 well-being of children. If such staff member has a professional license  
208 or certificate issued by the state or a permit or authorization issued by  
209 the State Board of Education or if such institution, school or facility has  
210 a license or approval issued by the state, the commissioner shall  
211 forthwith notify the state agency responsible for issuing such license,

212 certificate, permit, approval or authorization to the staff member and  
213 provide records, whether or not created by the department, concerning  
214 such investigation.

215 (c) If a school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, or any person  
216 holding a certificate, permit or authorization issued by the State Board  
217 of Education under the provisions of sections 10-144a to 10-149,  
218 inclusive, is convicted of a crime involving an act of child abuse or  
219 neglect as described in section 46b-120 or a violation of section 53-21,  
220 as amended by this act, 53a-71 or 53a-73a, the state's attorney for the  
221 judicial district in which the conviction occurred shall in writing notify  
222 the superintendent of the school district or the supervisory agent of the  
223 nonpublic school in which the person is employed and the  
224 Commissioner of Education of such conviction.

225 (d) For the purposes of receiving and making reports, notifying and  
226 receiving notification, or investigating, pursuant to the provisions of  
227 sections 17a-101a to 17a-101h, inclusive, as amended by this act, and  
228 17a-103, a superintendent of a school district or a supervisory agent of  
229 a nonpublic school may assign a designee to act on such  
230 superintendent's or agent's behalf.

231 (e) On or before February 1, 2012, each local and regional board of  
232 education shall adopt a written policy, in accordance with the  
233 provisions of subsection (d) of section 17a-101, regarding the reporting  
234 by school employees, as defined in section 53a-65, of suspected child  
235 abuse in accordance with sections 17a-101a to 17a-101d, inclusive, as  
236 amended by this act, and 17a-103, and subdivision (8) of subsection (a)  
237 of section 53a-71. Such policy shall be distributed annually to all school  
238 employees employed by the local or regional board of education. The  
239 local or regional board of education shall document that all such  
240 school employees have received such written policy and completed the  
241 training and refresher training programs required by subsection (c) of  
242 section 17a-101, as amended by this act.

243 (f) (1) [All school employees] Each school employee, as defined in



244 section 53a-65, hired by a local or regional board of education on or  
245 after July 1, 2011, shall be required to complete the training program  
246 developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 17a-101, as amended  
247 by this act. [All such school employees] Each such school employee  
248 shall complete the refresher training program, developed pursuant to  
249 subsection (c) of section 17a-101, as amended by this act, not later than  
250 three years after completion of the initial training program, and shall  
251 thereafter retake such refresher training course at least once every  
252 three years.

253 (2) On or before July 1, 2012, [all] each school [employees]  
254 employee, as defined in section 53a-65, hired by a local or regional  
255 board of education before July 1, 2011, shall complete the refresher  
256 training program developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 17a-  
257 101, as amended by this act, and shall thereafter retake such refresher  
258 training course at least once every three years.

259 (3) The principal for each school under the jurisdiction of a local or  
260 regional board of education shall annually certify to the  
261 superintendent for the board of education that each school employee,  
262 as defined in section 53a-65, working at such school, is in compliance  
263 with the provisions of this subsection. The superintendent shall certify  
264 such compliance to the Commissioner of Education. The commissioner  
265 shall notify the State Board of Education of any noncompliance. The  
266 State Board of Education shall not reissue the certificate, authorization  
267 or permit of any such school employee who is not in compliance with  
268 this subsection.

269 (4) The State Board of Education shall investigate any local or  
270 regional board of education that is not in compliance with any  
271 provision of this subsection. Based upon such investigation, the State  
272 Board of Education may require the local or regional board of  
273 education to forfeit a sum which is paid to such board of education  
274 from the State Treasury in an amount that is at least twenty-five  
275 thousand dollars, as determined by the State Board of Education. The

276 amount so forfeited shall be withheld from a grant payment, as  
277 determined by the Commissioner of Education, during the fiscal year  
278 following the fiscal year in which noncompliance is determined. The  
279 State Board of Education may waive such forfeiture if the State Board  
280 of Education determines that the failure of the local or regional board  
281 of education to comply with the provisions of this subsection was due  
282 to circumstances beyond its control. Any moneys forfeited pursuant to  
283 the provisions of this subsection, shall be deposited in the child abuse  
284 and neglect investigation account, established pursuant to section 7 of  
285 this act.

286 (g) For purposes of this section, "child" includes any victim  
287 described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, as  
288 amended by this act.

289 Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) There is established an account  
290 to be known as the "child abuse and neglect investigation account" that  
291 shall be a separate nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The  
292 account shall contain: (1) Any moneys deposited pursuant to  
293 subsection (f) of section 17a-101i of the general statutes, as amended by  
294 this act, (2) interest or other income earned on the investment of  
295 moneys in said account; and (3) any additional moneys made available  
296 from any sources, public or private, for the purposes for which said  
297 account was established and for the purpose of deposit in said account.  
298 The Department of Children and Families shall use the proceeds of  
299 said account for costs associated with the investigation of child abuse  
300 or neglect, as described in section 46b-120 of the general statutes.

301 Sec. 8. Section 17a-101j of the general statutes is amended by adding  
302 subsection (d) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

303 (NEW) (d) For purposes of this section, "child" includes any victim  
304 described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, as  
305 amended by this act.

306 Sec. 9. Section 17a-101o of the general statutes is amended by

307 adding subsection (c) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

308 (NEW) (c) For purposes of this section, "child" includes any victim  
309 described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, as  
310 amended by this act.

311 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) Not later than January 1, 2016,  
312 each local and regional board of education shall establish a  
313 confidential rapid response team to coordinate with the Department of  
314 Children and Families to (1) ensure prompt reporting of suspected  
315 abuse or neglect, as defined in section 46b-120, of the general statutes,  
316 or sexual assault pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (8) of  
317 subsection (a) of section 53a-71 of the general statutes, and (2) provide  
318 immediate access to information and individuals relevant to the  
319 department's investigation. The department, along with the  
320 multidisciplinary team established pursuant to section 17a-106a of the  
321 general statutes, shall take immediate action to investigate and address  
322 each report of child abuse reported in any school.

323 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) No local or regional board of  
324 education shall rehire any person such board previously terminated  
325 the employment of or who resigned from the employment of, if such  
326 person has been (1) convicted of, or (2) applied for accelerated  
327 rehabilitation in accordance with the provisions of section 54-56e of the  
328 general statutes, for a violation of section 17a-101a of the general  
329 statutes, as amended by this act.

330 Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 53-21 of the general statutes is  
331 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
332 *October 1, 2015*):

333 (a) Any person who (1) wilfully or unlawfully causes or permits any  
334 child under the age of sixteen years to be placed in such a situation  
335 that the life or limb of such child is endangered, the health of such  
336 child is likely to be injured or the morals of such child are likely to be  
337 impaired, or does any act likely to impair the health or morals of any

338 such child, or (2) has contact with the intimate parts, as defined in  
339 section 53a-65, of a child under the age of sixteen years or subjects a  
340 child under sixteen years of age to contact with the intimate parts of  
341 such person, in a sexual and indecent manner likely to impair the  
342 health or morals of such child, or (3) permanently transfers the legal or  
343 physical custody of a child under the age of sixteen years to another  
344 person for money or other valuable consideration or acquires or  
345 receives the legal or physical custody of a child under the age of  
346 sixteen years from another person upon payment of money or other  
347 valuable consideration to such other person or a third person, except in  
348 connection with an adoption proceeding that complies with the  
349 provisions of chapter 803, [or (4) intentionally and unreasonably  
350 interferes with or prevents the making of a report of suspected child  
351 abuse or neglect required under section 17a-101a, shall be guilty of (A)  
352 a class D felony for a violation of subdivision (4) of this subsection, (B)]  
353 shall be guilty of (A) a class C felony for a violation of subdivision (1)  
354 or (3) of this subsection, and [(C)] (B) a class B felony for a violation of  
355 subdivision (2) of this subsection, except that, if the violation is of  
356 subdivision (2) of this subsection and the victim of the offense is under  
357 thirteen years of age, such person shall be sentenced to a term of  
358 imprisonment of which five years of the sentence imposed may not be  
359 suspended or reduced by the court.

360 Sec. 13. Subsection (i) of section 10-145b of the general statutes is  
361 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
362 *1, 2015*):

363 (i) (1) The State Board of Education may revoke any certificate,  
364 authorization or permit issued pursuant to sections 10-144o to 10-149,  
365 inclusive, for any of the following reasons: (A) The holder of the  
366 certificate, authorization or permit obtained such certificate,  
367 authorization or permit through fraud or misrepresentation of a  
368 material fact; (B) the holder has persistently neglected to perform the  
369 duties for which the certificate, authorization or permit was granted;  
370 (C) the holder is professionally unfit to perform the duties for which

371 the certificate, authorization or permit was granted; (D) the holder is  
372 convicted in a court of law of a crime involving moral turpitude or of  
373 any other crime of such nature that in the opinion of the board  
374 continued holding of a certificate, authorization or permit by the  
375 person would impair the standing of certificates, authorizations or  
376 permits issued by the board; or (E) other due and sufficient cause. The  
377 State Board of Education shall revoke any certificate, authorization or  
378 permit issued pursuant to said sections if the holder is found to have  
379 intentionally disclosed specific questions or answers to students or  
380 otherwise improperly breached the security of any administration of a  
381 mastery examination, pursuant to section 10-14n. In any revocation  
382 proceeding pursuant to this section, the State Board of Education shall  
383 have the burden of establishing the reason for such revocation by a  
384 preponderance of the evidence. Revocation shall be in accordance with  
385 procedures established by the State Board of Education pursuant to  
386 chapter 54.

387 (2) When the Commissioner of Education is notified, pursuant to  
388 section 10-149a or 17a-101i, as amended by this act, that a person  
389 holding a certificate, authorization or permit issued by the State Board  
390 of Education under the provisions of sections 10-144o to 10-149,  
391 inclusive, has been convicted of (A) a capital felony, under the  
392 provisions of section 53a-54b in effect prior to April 25, 2012, (B) arson  
393 murder, pursuant to section 53a-54d, (C) a class A felony, (D) a class B  
394 felony, except a violation of section 53a-122, 53a-252 or 53a-291, (E) a  
395 crime involving an act of child abuse or neglect as described in section  
396 46b-120, or (F) a violation of section 17a-101a, as amended by this act,  
397 53-21, as amended by this act, 53-37a, 53a-60b, 53a-60c, 53a-71, 53a-72a,  
398 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-88, 53a-90a, 53a-99, 53a-103a, 53a-181c, 53a-191,  
399 53a-196, 53a-196c, 53a-216, 53a-217b or 21a-278 or subsection (a) of  
400 section 21a-277, any certificate, permit or authorization issued by the  
401 State Board of Education and held by such person shall be deemed  
402 revoked and the commissioner shall notify such person of such  
403 revocation, provided such person may request reconsideration  
404 pursuant to regulations adopted by the State Board of Education, in

405 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. As part of such  
406 reconsideration process, the board shall make the initial determination  
407 as to whether to uphold or overturn the revocation. The commissioner  
408 shall make the final determination as to whether to uphold or overturn  
409 the revocation.

410 (3) The State Board of Education may deny an application for a  
411 certificate, authorization or permit for any of the following reasons: (A)  
412 The applicant seeks to obtain a certificate, authorization or permit  
413 through fraud or misrepresentation of a material fact; (B) the applicant  
414 has been convicted in a court of law of a crime involving moral  
415 turpitude or of any other crime of such nature that in the opinion of  
416 the board issuance of a certificate, authorization or permit would  
417 impair the standing of certificates, authorizations or permits issued by  
418 the board; or (C) other due and sufficient cause. Any applicant denied  
419 a certificate, authorization or permit shall be notified in writing of the  
420 reasons for denial. Any applicant denied a certificate, authorization or  
421 permit may request a review of such denial by the State Board of  
422 Education.

423 (4) A person whose certificate, permit or authorization has been  
424 revoked may not be employed in a public school during the period of  
425 revocation.

426 (5) Any local or regional board of education or private special  
427 education facility approved by the commissioner shall report to the  
428 commissioner when an employee, who holds a certificate, permit or  
429 authorization, is dismissed pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection  
430 (d) of section 10-151.

431 Sec. 14. Section 10-145i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
432 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

433 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10-144a to 10-146b,  
434 inclusive, and 10-149, the State Board of Education shall not issue or  
435 reissue any certificate, authorization or permit pursuant to said

sections if (1) the applicant for such certificate, authorization or permit has been convicted of any of the following: (A) A capital felony, as defined under the provisions of section 53a-54b in effect prior to April 25, 2012; (B) arson murder, as defined in section 53a-54d; (C) any class A felony; (D) any class B felony except a violation of section 53a-122, 53a-252 or 53a-291; (E) a crime involving an act of child abuse or neglect as described in section 46b-120; or (F) a violation of section 17a-101a, as amended by this act, 53-21, as amended by this act, 53-37a, 53a-60b, 53a-60c, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-88, 53a-90a, 53a-99, 53a-103a, 53a-181c, 53a-191, 53a-196, 53a-196c, 53a-216, 53a-217b or 21a-278 or a violation of subsection (a) of section 21a-277, and (2) the applicant completed serving the sentence for such conviction within the five years immediately preceding the date of the application.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	17a-101(c)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17a-101a
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17a-101b
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17a-101d
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17a-101h
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17a-101i
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 8	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17a-101j
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To protect school children from abuse by enhancing reporting and training requirements for school employees, increasing penalties for failure to report as mandated and increasing accountability for boards

of education and the Department of Children and Families concerning mandated reporting.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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